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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES 231/1/154 DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) 37-9FR 1.5) **CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/GB2003/003203 TITLE OF INVENTION AUTOMATED PLANTER APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <u>Christopher George FOUNTAIN et al</u> Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: 1. This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 3 The US has been elected (Article 31). \mathbf{x} A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. X is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. X has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). is attached hereto. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. X Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. X An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. 🖺 ٔ ا An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 11. X An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, Form PTO/SB/08A & 3 references An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. Ch Report 12. 13. A preliminary amendment. 14. X An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. A substitute specification. 16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825. 17. 18. L A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

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Independent claims 2		- 3 =	0	x \$200	\$ 0	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) + \$360					\$ 0	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =					\$ 1,750	
Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.					875	
SUBTOTAL =					\$ 875	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).					\$ 0	
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PCT Application No. PCT/GB2003/003203

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Dear Sirs:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (entering the national phase in a PCT application (PCT/GB2003/0 $\overline{0}$ 3203) (WO 2005/113670) is a new application including:

Form PTO-1390 (in duplicate), with authorization to charge \$875.00 to the undersigned's credit card, along with Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) (The fee is calculated in accordance with the Preliminary Amendment submitted herewith);

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- b) Form PCT/IB/308 (mailed February 17, 2005) entitled NOTICE INFORMING THE APPLICANT OF THE COMMUNICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION TO THE DESIGNATED OFFICES, indicating that the original PCT application was transmitted by the International Office to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office 1 page;
- c) Original filed application of thirty-three (33) pages;
- d) Eleven (11) sheets of formal drawings (Figs. 1-23);
- e) Amended claims 1-53, filed November 23, 2004, along with a statement under Article 19(1);
- f) Two front pages of published PCT application;
- q) Application Data Sheet;
- h) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- i) Form PCT/ISA/210 International Search Report performed by the European Patent Office;
- j) Form PCT/IB/332 Information Concerning Elected Offices Notified of Their Election;
- k) Information Disclosure Statement, one form PTO/SB/08A and three references; and
- Preliminary Amendment.

APPLICANTS QUALIFY FOR SMALL ENTITY STATUS.

It is respectfully requested that the above-identified PCT application be granted a filing date within the January 29, 2006 convention term (30 months), based on PCT Application No. PCT/GB2003/003203, filed July 29, 2003.

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